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## Tyndale Receives University College Status

On June 26, 2003, Bill 21 was passed in the Ontario Legislature and was given Royal Assent. This means that we can now change our name to Tyndale University College & Seminary and grant Bachelor of Arts degrees.



This fall, students can enroll in the BA in Business Administration, English, History, Human Services, Philosophy, Psychology, and Religious Studies and the B.A. (Honours) in Religious Studies. Thank you to all our friends and supporters who have been praying for this historic moment in Tyndale's history!

*"Tyndale is part of a Canadian movement to redefine within the evangelical world what it means to be educated as a follower of Jesus Christ. We see the importance of training a new generation to understand that all of life—be it business, education, or subjects such as philosophy and psychology—is the Lord's. Our graduates will have an even greater impact on the many sectors of Canadian life as they move into leadership with an understanding that their faith forms the heart and core of all they do."*

—Brian C. Stiller, President

### What is a Christian University College?



—by Craig A. Carter,  
Vice President/Academic Dean

Tyndale University College is now positioned to have an even greater and farther-reaching impact on students and the wider world in the coming century than

ever before. To see why this is so, we need to examine the key elements of a Christian university college.

**First and foremost, a Christian university college is Christian.** Tyndale is not interested in abandoning its Christian heritage, its theological convictions, or its distinctively evangelical campus ethos. Tyndale seeks to be distinctively Christian in several concrete ways. Faculty and staff will continue to be required to support wholeheartedly the Statement of Faith and the Lifestyle

Policy. Only those professing personal faith in Jesus Christ will be hired as faculty and staff.

But being a Christian university college goes beyond the personal convictions of members of the community. It also means seriously attempting to look at all of life from a Christian perspective. This means integrating faith and learning; that is, integrating ideas and theories from all academic disciplines into a coherent, biblical worldview. Integration is as important in a psychology class as it is in a biblical studies class.

**Second, a Christian university college is a university-level institution.** Tyndale's curriculum is now made up of courses which are similar to and increasingly transferable to other universities. The qualifications for full-time Tyndale faculty are as high as those for university faculty. The entrance standards are similar to those of universities and the academic standards are as high or higher than those at Ontario's secular universities. Although Tyndale standards are high, the small classes and

accessibility of the faculty to students makes it more likely that a student can succeed academically at Tyndale.

**Third, a Christian university college is a college of arts and science.** It is not a college of applied arts and technology or a community college. A university college is more like a university in that the core of the curriculum is arts and science, rather than practical, job-related skills. The only real difference between a university and a university college is that a university is larger with graduate programs and many schools, faculties and divisions. Graduates of universities and university colleges are equally prepared to continue their education in graduate or professional schools.

Tyndale University College combines the best of the Bible college experience with the highest of university academic standards and offers students an opportunity to grow in Christ while gaining an education which prepares them for a career and for Christian servant leadership.

# Message from the President



Dr. Brian C. Stiller

I realized that as our young people emerge from high school, most of them have only known a secular education that assumes faith has nothing to do with the real world. This false dichotomy of faith and learning alarmingly becomes a foundational vision of life for our young people as they pursue career paths or further studies. I saw the need for our evangelical world to provide an undergraduate experience in which our young people will learn that all of life is the Lord's. Nothing, absolutely nothing, falls outside of our sovereign God's creation or concern.

I have since learned that the London College of Bible and Mission (LCBM), which joined with Toronto Bible College in 1968 to form Ontario Bible College, had already worked on developing a Christian university in London in

In the summer of 1995, I wrestled in prayer for a vision of what shape the College should take. The role of the Seminary was obvious, but what about the College? The Seminary was doing what the College had historically done in preparing leadership for the church in Canada and worldwide.

affiliation with Waterloo Lutheran University, now Sir Wilfrid Laurier University. *A vision of Christian undergraduate studies was in the DNA of our combined schools some forty years ago!* That only confirms with me that the way we have taken is of the Lord.

Among the many benefits that accrue to Tyndale in this breakthrough is the fact that the BA degree remains biblically and theologically rooted. It will give the degree more currency for our graduates as they move on to other schools or employment. Second, it helps in strengthening the Seminary by allowing us to recruit more University College students, thus providing a larger fiscal base for the entire enterprise.



Our passion is to turn the hearts of young people towards the Lord in life and service and to train leadership to serve the church and be dynamic witnesses for Christ in the marketplace. While we have expanded our ability to offer education, the core of Tyndale remains what it was in the hearts of our founders 109 years ago.

We give honour and praise to our Lord Jesus Christ for His leading and provision. All we do is in, through, and for Him.

## A Renewed Vision for a New Generation: Claiming New Ground

—By Mary Lynne Stewart, Capital Campaign Director

Caleb was a good man. He spent more than half of his life helping the people of God enter the Promised Land. For his 45 years of devoted service, Moses gave him the land of Canaan, and Caleb kept the land free from war (Joshua: 6-14).

Like Caleb, Tyndale is restless to expand for God. Our new generation of students is looking for a much broader spectrum of education to be offered within a Christian environment. To meet these needs, we are now granting Bachelor of Arts degrees.

To help support this dream and continue to make it a reality, we have

launched a \$20 million capital campaign called *Claiming New Ground*. These funds will allow us to upgrade our facilities and offer more student aid and academic scholarships. We are also hoping to create an endowment fund that will allow us to attract outstanding faculty members. In addition, our library and its collection will be expanded. We also hope to improve our technology to meet the increasing pressure to supply more Distance Education courses.

To date, we have been able to raise over half of our campaign goal in pledges and gifts received—a generous \$12



million. Although this is very encouraging, we must continue to push ahead—this new generation is counting on us!

We are hoping you can help us to build a new foundation upon which the Lord will grow His church. If you wish to personally contribute to our capital campaign, or can provide us with information about individuals, corporations, or foundations that you think may be interested in supporting Tyndale, please call us today at (416) 226-6620 ext. 6762.

Together, we can expand our resources to provide young people with the very finest university college and seminary education—an education that will equip our students to go forth and bring people together in God's love and peace.

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# Cunnington and Penner receive Faculty Excellence Awards

Two senior faculty members at Tyndale University College & Seminary have been recognized by their peers with Faculty Excellence Awards for 2003. The awards were presented on March 21, 2003, at a dinner sponsored by the Maranatha Foundation.

The Faculty Leadership Award was given to Dr. Brian Cunningham, Professor of Counselling at Tyndale Seminary since 1991. The award acknowledged Dr. Cunningham's outstanding work as a classroom teacher, student mentor, program director, department head, and community builder. "Brian's style of quiet, gentle leadership has modelled excellence for the entire Tyndale community," said Dr. Jeffrey Greenman, Academic Dean at the Seminary. "He is a deeply respected colleague to whom the faculty and administration have turned, repeatedly, to handle critical roles, shoulder major duties, and represent the faculty's perspective. Brian's leadership has contributed immensely to the supportive, listening faculty community at the Seminary."



Dr. Jeffrey Greenman and Dr. Brian Cunningham



Dr. Erwin Penner

The Faculty Scholarship Award was given to Dr. Erwin Penner, who has served as Professor of New Testament at Tyndale University

College since 1980. The award recognized Dr. Penner's lifetime of careful biblical scholarship, including his recently published Greek textbook, *A Guide to New Testament Greek*, and his previous commentary, *The Power of God in a Broken World: Studies in Ephesians*. According to University College Academic Dean Dr. Craig A. Carter, "Erwin Penner has spent a lifetime studying the Greek text of the New Testament and his dedication to detailed textual analysis is a gift to the church and to his students."

President Brian C. Stiller lauds both professors for their achievements: "The shaping of lives and minds requires able faculty who not only are skilled in their teaching but who are deeply committed to the transformation of lives. Both Dr. Penner and Dr. Cunningham exemplify that and for their gifting and love for teaching we celebrate them."



## Annual President's Dinner Garners Rave Reviews

—by Brian Rennick, Tyndale Foundation

It's only been around a short time but, already, this gala event has gained a reputation as one of the premier evenings of its kind. And this year's Dinner was one of the best Tyndale has ever had. There may not have been a red carpet and the guest list didn't read like a "Who's Who" column, but for students at Tyndale, the attendees were heroes.

It is the faithful investment of hundreds of individuals who believe in the power of Christian education that makes Tyndale possible. The Annual President's Dinner, once again, brought many of these supporters face to face with the students. Through video presentations and live interviews, they heard the stories behind the faces and learned first-hand how Tyndale is shaping the lives of these future Christian leaders.

Even though the March 25th date ended up being in the middle of the March school break, over 500 people gathered at the Sheraton Parkway in Richmond Hill for an exciting evening of music, testimony, and fellowship. The accessibility and parking facilities of the new venue alone justified the change in location. Overall, the food, facilities, and service provided the kind of ambience needed to thank these significant partners for their faithful support of Tyndale.

However, special guest Preston Manning hadn't been speaking two minutes before everyone forgot everything else and became captivated by a stunning message. Outlining his personal and political background, Preston Manning told how his preacher father became involved in politics and the impact this had on his life. He shared how he came to personal faith in Jesus Christ and how, years later, he became the leader of the Reform Party of Canada and Leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons in Ottawa.

He didn't simply tell a nice story. He went on to challenge Christians about sharing their faith in whatever public forum they find themselves by "being wise as serpents, harmless as doves, and speaking the truth in love." His mix of humour, personal anecdotes, and spiritual insight made it a message not many will soon forget.

## Tyndale University College & Seminary appoints new Provost

Dr. Earl Davey has been appointed Provost by the Board of Governors of Tyndale University College & Seminary.

Dr. Davey has served as Vice President of Assiniboine Community College since 1999, where he has led in the development of ten new academic programs. Prior to this he chaired the Music Education Department and Graduate Studies in Music at Brandon University, as well as serving on a number of boards and committees. He comes to Tyndale with twenty years of post-secondary teaching at both graduate and undergraduate levels, a post-doctorate year



at Cambridge, and three years of service in Indonesia with the Mennonite Central Committee, along with extensive administrative experience in institutions of higher education. His Ph.D. and M.A. are from the Institute for Studies in Higher Education at the University of Toronto. Dr. Davey also has a M.Mus. and a B.Mus. from the University of Toronto.

As Provost, Dr. Davey will lead in all matters related to academics at both the University College and Seminary, Life Long Learning, distance learning, and other areas that directly serve the academy.

Dr. Davey and his wife Marion have two children, Harrison and Rachael.

# Graduation 2003



*On May 10, 2003, over 200 students graduated from Tyndale College & Seminary. This year's graduating class was the largest to date, and 76 College students were the last class to graduate from Tyndale College before the change to Tyndale*

*University College. Graduates were exhorted by Dave Toycen, President of World Vision Canada, and witnessed the unveiling of the new Tyndale crest by Dr. Brian C. Stiller.*



## Tyndale Grants Honourary Doctorate to Dave Toycen



Tyndale granted an honorary doctorate to Dave Toycen at Graduation on May 10, 2003. Dave Toycen is President and Chief Executive Officer of World Vision Canada.

**D**ave is a passionate advocate for children and in his 30 years with World Vision he has worked tirelessly on behalf of those who face poverty and injustice. Since he became President of World Vision Canada in 1996, he has guided the organization into a phase of dramatic growth and into greater

involvement in advocacy and justice issues. Dave's faith is at the core of his commitment to holistic ministry. His care for the poor is inspired by Isaiah's vision of a new earth where poverty and despair are eradicated (Isaiah 65) and by Christ's challenge to "let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16). In the past 20 years, Dave has been on-site during almost every major humanitarian disaster to provide assessment and support. In all, more than \$1.3 billion has been raised in aid and development for the poor under his leadership. A Canadian citizen, Dave Toycen studied at Lawrence University (BA) and Fuller Theological Seminary (MDiv). Dave and his wife Diane have two children, Jaymes and Jocelyn, and one granddaughter.

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# Tyndale unveils new crest



To mark the important change to a university college, Tyndale has launched a new crest to replace the old circular logo.

**T**his crest was unveiled at the Graduation ceremony by Dr. Brian C. Stiller. Assisting him were Al Hounsell, President of the University College Student Council for 2003-04, and Denise Munroe, Vice President of the Seminary Student Council for 2003-04. The new crest was designed by former Vice President of Marketing and Enrollment, Jon Ohlhauser, and GComm Marketing and was approved by Tyndale's Board.



Dr. Brian C. Stiller and University College Student Council President Al Hounsell unveil Tyndale's new crest

"Our goal in creating this new crest is to symbolize our transition to Tyndale University College & Seminary in a way that is more significant than just adding the word 'University' to the old logo."

It highlights the year of Tyndale's founding, 1894, and is inscribed with the Greek phrase "Servants of Christ." According to Director of Communication Jodi McIsaac, "Our goal in creating this new crest is to symbolize our transition to Tyndale University College & Seminary in a way that is more significant than just adding the word "University" to the old logo. However, many things remain the same, which is why we stayed with the same colours and font and incorporated the image of the lamp and the year."



"From the seminary retreat of my first weekend at Tyndale, to participating in dorm meetings my first year, to playing basketball with a great group of young men and bringing a championship banner home to Tyndale, to the year-end seminary banquet this past Wednesday—I have been blessed in many ways during my time at Tyndale. The student body at Tyndale Seminary has given me a greater appreciation of the breadth and beauty of the worldwide body of Christ. The passionate instruction of a faculty committed to the gospel of Jesus Christ and their determination to preserve academic integrity has helped me to become a better scholar and disciple."

—Robert Dean, Seminary Valedictorian



## 6th Annual Mixed Charity Golf Invitational

Thursday, Sept. 11, 2003  
King's Riding Golf Club

### Special Guests:

Michael Coren Broadcaster and Author  
Paul Henderson Hockey Legend and President, Leadership Ministries

### Golf Package

- \$300/person or \$1,200/foursome
- Golf Carts (2/foursome)
- Gourmet Lunch and Dinner
- Complimentary non-alcoholic beverages all day
- Gift bag valued at over \$200 for each player
- Bag Drop

### Agenda

- 10:00 am Registration
- 10:30 am Barbecue Lunch on Terrace
- 12:00 pm Shotgun Start
- 5:00 pm Refreshments
- 6:00 pm Dinner and Awards

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## Letters from Alumni

**D**ear Friends at Tyndale:  
I have recently retired as Professor of English and Greek from Grace College, Winona Lake, Indiana, after 36 years of serving also as Chair of the Department of English and Journalism, and 15 years as Chair of the Division of Languages and Literature. I graduated with my wife, Grace (Bendall) in the Toronto Bible College class of 1958. At TBC, I learned how to study and the ways of godly service modeled by the faculty. After receiving a diploma at TBC, I entered Grace College and achieved the B.A. in Bible, History, and Greek in 1960. Then came Grace Theological Seminary, with an M.Div. in 1963. I pursued an M.A. in English from St. Francis College, Fort Wayne,

Indiana. I received a Ph.D. in 1974 in English and Linguistics at Purdue University. Then, I completed the Th.M. at Grace Theological Seminary. I have studied Hebrew; classical, biblical, and modern

Greek; Aramaic; Akkadian; Ugaritic; Sanskrit; Anglo-Saxon; and German. I became proficient in the classical guitar and taught that instrument for college credit for thirty years. In the past six years, I have focussed on the four-string banjo, releasing two CDs, performing in national banjo conventions, and serving as a board member of the Fretted Instrument Guild of America and the National Four-String Banjo Hall of Fame Museum in Guthrie, Oklahoma. I write this by way of encouragement to the Tyndale family. Surely it is only by God's grace that I have had a ministry to Christian college students and to the public at large. My wife and I always read about the happenings at Tyndale and pray God's continual presence in your midst. TBC/Tyndale changed my life.

*Yours in His service, Edgar J.  
(Rik) Lovelady, Ph.D., Th.M.*

## Distinguished Alumni 2003



**Makram Barsoum,  
Tyndale Seminary (MTS), 1988**

Makram Barsoum was born in El-Minia, Egypt, and emigrated to Canada in 1974. He earned a Master of Science degree in Applied Science from the University of Toronto, and was recognized as a Professional Engineer in 1977. As an engineer, Makram worked in the Canadian nuclear and aerospace industries, concentrating his efforts on the Canada Arm and Space Station Freedom. Along the way, Makram completed his Master of Theological Studies degree at Tyndale Seminary in 1988. In 1996, Makram and his wife Mona were appointed jointly by the mission organization InterServe and the Presbyterian Church in Canada to serve in the Middle East with SAT-7 Media Service, a multiple-partner project providing Christian satellite television service in the Arabic language to people in the Middle East, North Africa, and Europe. While Makram began his work with SAT-7 in Nicosia, Cyprus, he has guided the establishment of SAT-7's audience and church relations department in Lebanon, Egypt, and France. Makram is currently the Director of Program Acquisitions & Scheduling. His prayer is that, through his work, millions of people in the Middle East will experience the transforming power of the Christian Gospel. The Barsoums have three children: Sherien, Philip, and Christopher.

**David K. Mensah,  
Tyndale College (BRE), 1982**

David Mensah was born in Ghana and emigrated to Canada in 1979 to attend Tyndale College. He continued in his studies to earn a Master of Arts at Acadia University and a Ph.D. at St. Michael's College of the University of Toronto, and taught at Tyndale from 1986 to 1990. In 1990, David and his wife Brenda and their three daughters returned to Ghana to direct an organization founded by David prior to his arrival in Canada, the Northern Empowerment Association (NEA). This organization addresses some of the most difficult problems in Northern Ghana, including severe poverty, malnutrition and starvation, lack of clean water, disease, and the absence of the Gospel. In 1996, the NEA was selected by the Government of Ghana as the best development organization in Northern Ghana. David was chosen by the Government of Canada through its Canadian High Commission in Ghana to design a program that brought reconciliation between two warring tribes. Since 1994, he has coordinated the Canada Fund for Local Initiatives, which has established schools, clinics, women's projects, and environmental projects in many communities. He has also served as the Principal at the Laurenda International School since 1993. In 1998, David published the book *Kwabena: An African Boy's Journey of Faith*, (Essence Publishing).





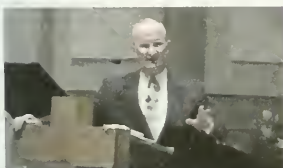
# Alumni Updates

**Bill TBC '49 & Esther Rogers** celebrated their Golden Anniversary at the SIM Retirement Village in Sebring, FL. The couple has served in Sudan, Somalia, Ethiopia, and Nigeria. Congratulations to you both!

**Colleen MacLean (Pease) TBC '66** is celebrating her 35th year with the Children's Aid Society (CAS) as the Director of Residential Services for the CAS of Stoumont. Colleen and Ian (TBC '68) have been blessed with four wonderful children and three grandchildren and are expecting their fourth grandchild in July of this year. The couple is delighted in all that the Lord has blessed them with over the years.

**Jason Litke OBC '73** and his wife Marian are living in North Battleford, Saskatchewan, where he has worked for the past 25 years with Saskatchewan Social Services. Currently, Jason acts as a Community Liaison in Sakewew High School (First Nations) as a school counsellor. Though Jason's work is challenging at times, he is encouraged by the promise that God is always at work!

**Dave Bell**, former head of the Christian Education department at LCBM spoke to LCBM/LBI alumni at their May 10 reunion.



**Gregg OTS '90 & Patti Bryce** continue their ministry in Cochabamba, Bolivia, with SIM Canada, sharing the gospel and discipling new believers in Christ. Their children, Stephen (15), Tim (13), Abbie (10), and Ethan (3) are growing physically and spiritually as they minister alongside their parents. Pray for Gregg and Patti as they work to share the love of Christ in Bolivia in the midst of abortion, AIDS, and addiction.



**Pernell OBC '96 and Margie (nee May) OBC '96 Goodyear** live in Hamilton, Ontario, with their kids: Samantha (4), Lucas (2), and Jacob (10 months). Pernell is a church planter and has started The Freeway in Hamilton. To reach the Goodyears, contact them at pernell@mountaincable.net.



**Mark OBC '96 and Krista (nee Hall) OBC '96 Jefferson** live in Hamilton, Ontario, with their six-month-old daughter, Madison. Mark is a Registered Nurse and Krista works at Blessings Christian Marketplace. Mark and Krista are both involved in a new church plant in Hamilton called The Freeway. They would love to hear from you. You can reach Krista at kristajefferson@hotmail.com or Mark at jefferson\_72@hotmail.com.



**Desmond T. Smith TS '99** is pleased to announce his Ordination to Christian Ministry. The ordination service took place on Sunday, May 25th, at Priority Park Baptist Church in Guelph, Ontario, where he is currently serving as Associate Pastor. Desmond shares that he is grateful for the training he received at Tyndale and asks for our prayers as he continues in ministry. Congratulations, Desmond!

## Memorials

**Lillian Read TBC '40** died February 27, 2003. Lillian served at the Yonge Street Mission for 13 years and had a great passion for serving the poor and children's ministry. Lillian was very active sitting on various boards and committees. She loved writing poetry and had several of her works published. She is sadly missed by family and friends.

**Roy Massecar TBC '40** died March 18, 2003, after a brief illness. Roy and Marion (nee McLeod) TBC '44 were married for 58 years and have two children: Janet Hatch of Waterford, NY, and Ian Massecar of Fairport, NY. Their lives have also been blessed with three grandchildren: Jason, Stephanie, and Hana. Roy served in five pastorates in the United States in what is now the Presbyterian Church USA. He retired in 1981.

**Mabel Baker TBC '51** died on March 16, 2003.

**Len Jones TBC '53** died on January 04, 2003. His funeral was conducted at Chartwell Baptist Church where he and his wife, Evelyn Jones, are members. Jack Kiervin gave the eulogy and Dr. Roy Matheson gave the message. Len graduated from TBC in 1953 as Class President and later spent time on the Alumni Committee. He served at Yonge Street Mission for a year as Christian Education Director and had three full-time pastorates as well as interim pastorates at about 10 churches throughout Toronto and surrounding regions. In 1980, he was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis and also suffered from diabetes. Despite failing health, he continued to do personal counselling, visitation, and volunteering at the Kerr Street Market, a ministry to the disadvantaged in Oakville. Len served others even in the most difficult of

times. While in hospital, he was able to counsel and pray with and for people. Len will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

**Margaret D. Kirk TBC '59** died in New Zealand on January 7, 2003, after becoming ill with cancer. Margaret trained as a nurse in her home country of New Zealand and ventured to Canada in the 1950's. Margaret attended Toronto Bible College and graduated in 1959 with a Bachelor of Theology. After 6 1/2 years in Canada, Margaret returned to New Zealand and joined the Overseas Missionary Fellowship. Over the next 30 years, she served with OMF in Indonesia as a nurse and then as a Bible School teacher. She has written four books, all set in Indonesia: *God Was a Stranger*, *Gum Boots and a Sarong*, *That Greater Freedom*, and *Let Justice Flow*.

**Christine Alice Smith (Rose) '72** died May 17, 2003, in London, Ontario. Christine was the wife of William Smith '72 and the mother of Jessica and Bryan.

**Peter Anderson McKnight OBC '76**, Erindale Bible Chapel, a church that has served the Mississauga community for



over 40 years, had not had a full-time pastor until they called Peter in June 1999. The church grew under Peter's short ministry at Erindale and along with his outstanding pulpit ministry he and his wife, Carolyn, endeared themselves to the congregation. Peter was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer late in the summer of 2002. By January 2003 his energy level and failing health made it difficult for him to continue, but he still had a heart for the people at Erindale and he urgently wanted to share what God had been teaching him. So, a day or two before Sunday, January 19th, at a time when he was strong enough, he videotaped the sermon, "My Life is Not My Life." Despite his rapidly failing health he was somehow able to prepare another message on videotape the following week, titled, "I am Part of a Bigger Story that God is Telling." These were to be his last sermons, and he went to be with the Lord and Saviour on February 5, 2003. The funeral took place Sunday, February 9, 2003 in Mississauga with over 800 attending. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn, and five sons: Jonathan, Peter, Philip, Thomas and Michael, as well as his daughter-in-laws, Vicky and Lindsay, and his first grandchild, William. Peter's greatest desires in life were to serve the Lord and to be a good husband and father. The legacy he leaves to his family and to all of us is the example of a godly man with a tender and loving heart. All who have known Peter have been blessed through him.

## Reunions

College Grads of '94 - 2004 is just around the corner and it is time to begin planning for your 10-year reunion. If you are interested in helping to plan your class reunion or have any suggestions, please contact Tanya Robinson via the alumni office at 416-226-6620, ext. 2107.

If you have updates, news, or letters you would like to share with the Tyndale community, please call the Alumni Office at 416-226-6620 ext. 2107 or toll free at 1-877-TYNDAL (896-3253). The e-mail address is [alumni@tyndale.ca](mailto:alumni@tyndale.ca). For more news and notes, go to [www.tyndale.ca/alumni](http://www.tyndale.ca/alumni).

# Celebrating 50 Years with the Class of 1953

On April 01, 2003, the Tyndale community welcomed the Class of '53 to the campus in celebration of their 50th Anniversary as Tyndale Alumni.

Graduates from Ontario Bible College and the London College of Bible and Mission arrived on campus early in the day to fellowship together as many were reunited for the first time since college. The day was one to remember with guests traveling from as far as Nova Scotia to join the celebration of lives and the rich history of Tyndale. Over thirty guests shared in a day that included participation in Community Chapel, a dinner with special guests, a time of sharing, and a final class meeting. The class presented gifts to the school to mark their anniversary. The first was a gift to a student by



way of a scholarship and the second was a bench that will be purchased for our courtyard. Together the Golden Milers shared stories of what God has done and continues to do in their lives. Many blessings to the Class of '53 as they continue to serve the Lord in their various churches

and ministries. We look forward to celebrating with you in the years ahead. If you were a member of the class of '53 and were unable to attend and would like either a memory booklet or group photo please contact Jill Potter in the Alumni Office at (416) 226-6620 ext. 2107.

## Alumni Respond to Life Long Learning Survey

Tyndale's mission statement reads, "To educate and equip Christians to serve the world with passion for Jesus Christ." This statement is at the heart of all we do here at Tyndale. The Roy C. Spaetzel Institute for Life Long Learning is committed to seeing Tyndale's mission incorporate Tyndale's Alumni and their communities. Early in the new year, Life Long Learning and the Alumni office teamed up to survey a selection of alumni to see how we can better support our alumni through Life Long Learning. Alumni who responded expressed interest in having seminars that cover practical aspects of ministry. 55% of respondents acknowledged a seminar on Counselling Skills would be helpful and 47% stated that both Mentoring and Worship Renewal would be important topics to cover. 43% believed Conflict Management, Utilizing Spiritual Gifts, and Helping Churches Become Evangelizing Bodies were worthy topics. Other significant



areas specified were Leadership, Leadership Training, and Interpersonal Skills. In regards to delivery and location, 64% stated having an event on the Tyndale campus was most

important, while 22% believed having the seminar at a local church was a good idea. In regard to the size of the events, we were given numbers ranging from small group sessions for church leadership teams to larger groups of 100. Others indicated they would attend a course or weekend seminar if it were of personal interest to them. Further results can be found at <http://www.tyndale.ca/alumni/>. Tyndale Alumni can attend Life Long Learning courses at a discounted rate of 20% of tuition with an alumni card. Thank you to everyone who participated in our survey. We greatly appreciate your time and interest and hope to see you in class this fall!

## 2003 Alumni Ball Hockey Challenge



Tyndale community members often remark that playing ball hockey should be a requirement for admittance. Ball hockey is the favorite team sport here at Tyndale and is played year round by faculty, staff and students. Once a year, alumni are welcomed back on campus for the RA Ball Hockey Challenge. Graduated RA's face off against the current RA's for the title of RA Ball Hockey Champions. This year the tournament took place on Saturday, March 27, 2003. The day was full of excitement for children who came to cheer on their alumni parents and students who came to support their current RA's. This year's winners were the guys and gals current RA teams. The day came to an end with a pizza party for all RA's and their families. This year's tournament was a success with over 60 attending. Special thanks to Janet Phillips and Sharolyn McLeod for all their work in planning this event each year!





# Dr. Stewart Boehmer Scholarship

The family of Dr. Stewart Boehmer has established a scholarship in his honour for full-time Seminary students involved in pastoral ministry who show considerable potential for church leadership.

**B**orn in Kitchener, Ontario, Dr. Boehmer graduated from Moody Bible Institute and pastored First Baptist Church, Waterloo, and Calvary Church, Toronto. He was associated with many mission societies and traveled extensively in lecturing and preaching. In 1955, Wheaton College honoured him with a Doctor of Divinity. Dr. Boehmer's unique giftings prepared him well to serve as President from 1962 to 1973, and as Chancellor from that point until his death in 1991. During this period, and under his leadership,

Toronto Bible College merged with London College of Bible and Missions to become Ontario Bible College, and Ontario Theological Seminary was started after moving the facility from Spadina Road to its present location.

Dr. Boehmer's presidency was marked by an open door and an open heart. Those who remember his significant involvement at the schools are invited to contribute to the scholarship fund. In this way, Dr. Boehmer's outstanding legacy of leadership will be suitably perpetuated. Contributions should be designated to the Dr. Stewart Boehmer Scholarship.

## Changing the World, One Student at a Time

—by Kevin Kirk, Director of Enrollment



Charles Malik, former President of the United Nations General Assembly, has said, "The university is the clear-cut fulcrum with which to move the world more potently than by any other means. Change the university and you change the world."

**W**hat I find particularly compelling about this statement is that, as an institution, Tyndale inspires change. We believe that who we are and what we stand for will transform our students, who will in turn change the world. We are in the business of developing future leaders—leaders who are currently shaping their philosophies of life. It is our firm conviction that there is no better place to do this than at a Christ-centred school. But how is this helpful to someone who plans to pursue a career in the public marketplace?

People think that Christ-centred schools, such as Bible colleges and Christian universities, only offer training for ministry. They assume that if someone wants to be a pastor, missionary, or youth leader, then the first place to investigate is such a school. What many people don't fully understand is that a whole host of Christ-centred schools such

as Tyndale offers preparation for the world's marketplaces. Careers in areas such as social work, early childhood education, business, recreation, and many more are offered in addition to preparation for full-time ministry. In fact, Christ-centred schools provide first-class training for almost any contemporary profession!

By now you have heard that Tyndale now offers the Bachelor of Arts degree. This news may make you a little nervous as you question if Tyndale is turning from its rich history of developing Christian workers to offering programs that focus exclusively on the liberal arts. I can assure you that we are not! The Bachelor of Arts degree allows us to more successfully accomplish the goal of training people to serve God through ministry



vocations, and also through careers in the secular realm. This new degree is better recognized in the public marketplace and creates even more opportunities for our graduates to impact the world and to be salt and light where God places them.

Change the university and you change the world. We have done this very thing. We have expanded our program offerings in order to change the world—one student at a time. Perhaps you know someone who is considering which college or university to attend? Regardless of what they plan to study, encourage them to consider a Christ-centred school such as Tyndale. Your encouragement may be the nudge towards an education that would enable them to seriously change our world for the Kingdom.

# SARS Prevention at Tyndale

—by Heather Ann Kaldeway, Communication Assistant

Since the Norwalk outbreak last December, Tyndale has realized how quickly diseases can spread in tight-knit communities such



as ours. Due to the concern over Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome, many cautionary measures have been taken to ensure that a similar outbreak does not occur here. A committee was put together including various Cabinet members, Suresh Gunaratnam of Campus Support Services, and Deepa Varki of Human Resources. Fact sheets from the Toronto Public Health website with information about the disease and instructions in case of suspected infection have been posted

on the entrances to the building and parking meters. Campus Support Services contracted groups who had booked Tyndale's facilities and asked them to refrain from entering the building if they were displaying symptoms of SARS. At the graduation chapel, those serving drinks wore gloves as an added precaution. Custodial Services has ensured that the building is cleaned regularly with the same degree of diligence that they showed during the Norwalk outbreak.

## Tyndale Architect Honoured

—by Heather Ann Kaldeway, Communication Assistant

Peter Dickinson, architect of Tyndale's college building, chapel, and library was honoured in a retrospective entitled *Peter Dickinson: Architect* at the Museum of Modern Architecture & Design from April 10 to May 11, 2003.

A prominent British-Canadian Modern architect, Dickinson graduated from the Architectural Association in London in 1948. Dickinson was employed by the influential Page and Steele of Toronto and designed many architecturally important buildings in Toronto, including the Yolles and Rotenberg Building, Beth Tzetez Synagogue, Bevenuto Place Apartments, and the Queen Elizabeth Building, as well as the Sheraton-Cartier Hotel in Montreal. The Yolles and Rotenberg Building included the first automatic elevators in a commercial structure in Toronto. As a Modern architect, Dickinson rejected the "cold" Miesian style of architecture. Instead, he designed buildings that were more

colourful and interesting, especially on the ground level. One of his most distinctive trademarks was the folded plate roof, as can be seen in the Queen Elizabeth Building, which allowed for large interior spaces. In 1958, Dickinson opened Peter Dickinson Associates and designed buildings in Ontario and Quebec until his

death in 1961 at the age of thirty-five. Tyndale's college building, chapel, and library were originally built as a Jesuit Seminary named Regis College in 1960. Tyndale, then known as Ontario Bible College, moved into the building in 1976 and later built the Seminary on as an addition. *Peter Dickinson: Architect* was organised by The Peter Dickinson Project and Dominion Modern and was displayed at the Museum of Modern Architecture & Design, which is located on 59 College Street West at Bay Street in Toronto.



## Tyndale Employees Recognized

—by Deepa Varki, Director of Human Resources

Tyndale University College & Seminary's Human Resources Department launched its new Employee Service Award Evening on March 6, 2003. Thirty-five staff and faculty received awards for five, ten, fifteen, twenty, and twenty-five years of service to the institution.

Elizabeth Davey, Professor of English at the College, was the recipient of highest honour of the evening, a \$250 Birks Gift Certificate, in recognition of her 25 years of service to the institution. Tyndale's Chief Engineer, George Whitmore, was awarded a Birks watch commemorating his 20 years of service to the institution.

Dr. Brian C. Stiller was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening, which included an inspirational challenge to the employees from Tyndale's President Emeritus, Dr. William McRae. Close to one hundred staff, faculty, and guests attended the dinner event. Jason Locke's jazz trio provided sophisticated musical accompaniment to the festivities. A gourmet dessert table offered many decadent desserts that were donated from some of the best bakeries across the city and award winners shared their favourite memories from their time at Tyndale.

All in all, the evening was a wonderful time of fun, fellowship, and the sharing of memorable stories of the days gone by. The Service Award Program will continue on an annual basis, recognizing staff and faculty who have reached milestones in their employment at Tyndale. The goal of

programs such as these is to recognize those who have invested their careers at Tyndale, and have given their time and energy to help bring the school to where it is today.



Prof. Elizabeth Davey is congratulated by Dr. Brian C. Stiller for her 25 years of service



## Upcoming Events with Life Long Learning

**TIM Centre & Canadian Tentmakers Network present... Christian Professionals Going Global**  
Saturday, September 27th, 2003

9:00am-3:00pm

- Seminar Free (freewill offering will be received)
- Bring your own lunch
- Explore the world of Christians going to the ends of the earth with their professional skills as a platform for ministry

To register contact Bob Morris at [bmorris@tyndale.ca](mailto:bmorris@tyndale.ca).

**TIM Centre and Life Long Learning present... Reaching Your World Community - A Missions Series**

September 20, 2003 Who is My Neighbour?

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November 15, 2003 Why Do They Behave Like That?

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Influence on Our Neighbours

Winter 2004 Testing the Spirits of the Age

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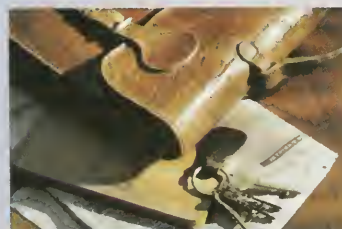
• 9:00am-4:30pm

• \$75/seminar

Deadline for registration is 10 days before the seminar.

Please register through Life Long Learning at

[lifelong@tyndale.ca](mailto:lifelong@tyndale.ca) or call us at (416) 226-6620 x.2109.



**TIM Centre and Finishers Canada present... Finishers Forum: 50+, fit and finishing well**

November 22nd, 2003

9:30am-3:30pm

- Tyndale Hooper Chapel
- \$49/person includes forum, lunch, materials and parking.

Register through Bob Morris at [bmorris@tyndale.ca](mailto:bmorris@tyndale.ca) or (416) 226-6620 x.2708.

The Roy C. Spaetzel Institute for Life Long Learning will continue to offer the **Know Your Bible Series** this upcoming Fall and Winter with Levels I and II. Please contact the Life Long Learning Department for more information at [lifelong@tyndale.ca](mailto:lifelong@tyndale.ca) or (416) 226-6620 x.2109.

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## Tyndale Library gets OnTRAC

The J. William Horsey Library is pleased to announce the launch of the Voyager automated library system this spring, which uses the Voyager integrated library information management system from Endeavor Information Systems.



The new Voyager system provides users with relevance ranked keyword searching, parallel searching across other libraries' databases, access to electronic journals and URL links, and cross-references. Search results can be printed, saved, or emailed. At any Voyager screen, users may verify items checked out, holds placed, or fines accumulated.

A contest to name the new system was held during the month of March. Seminary student Julie-Anne Brace submitted the acronym "OnTRAC". It stands for ONline Tyndale Resources Automated Catalogue. OnTRAC is accessible at Tyndale's networked terminals and [www.tyndale.ca/library/](http://www.tyndale.ca/library/). The Voyager system replaces the SCROL

catalogue, which was not linked to circulation activity or accessible online.

Library Director Hugh Rendle hopes that OnTRAC will encourage pastors and Christian laypeople in the greater Toronto area to make use of Tyndale's valuable resources. While the collection is geared to the curriculum, many people from the community purchase library memberships or come in to browse.

The J. William Horsey Library contains over 96,000 items, which includes over 75,000 books as well as audiovisual resources and over 650 periodicals. It also has access to over 2000 electronic journals and houses the Baldwin Puritan Collection, a rare collection of Puritan books published from the Sixteenth to Eighteenth Centuries.

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# Faculty & Staff Notes



**Dr. James Beverley**, Professor of Apologetics at the Seminary, travelled to Europe in April for research and speaking engagements. He was involved in an outreach to Muslims at Speaker's Corner in Hyde Park, London, and he gave a plenary lecture on Islamic militancy at the international CESNUR conference in Lithuania. In May, Dr. Beverley taught on Islam at Trinity Evangelical Church in North Reading, Massachusetts. His book, *Understanding Islam*, has just been published in Dutch.



**Dr. Keith Bodner**, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies at the University College, published an article, "Motives for Defection: Athiophel's Agenda in 2 Samuel 15:17," in *Studies in Religion* 31.1 (2002) 6378. He also published *National Insecurity: A Primer on the First Book of Samuel* (Toronto: Clements Publishing, 2003).



**Dr. Richard Davis**, Associate Professor of Philosophy at the University College, spoke on the topic of "Resurrection Evidence" on Easter Sunday at Aurora Cornerstone Church. He was also the keynote speaker for the TLC Pregnancy Centre fundraising banquet, where he delivered an address entitled, "Defending a ProLife Position."



**Dr. Robert (Bob) Derrenbacher**, Associate Dean of the Seminary, gave a paper at the Canadian Society of Biblical Studies conference from May 29-31 at Dalhousie University entitled, "And he went out and wept bitterly: A Socio-Cultural Reading of Peter's Denial in Matt 26:69-75." Dr. Derrenbacher and his wife, Cindy, will depart this summer for Vancouver, where he will take up the new role of Assistant Professor of New Testament at Regent College. Cindy will also take up a new position at Regent College as Library Director.



**Prof. Gordon Heath**, Assistant Professor of History at the University College and Director of the Degree Completion Program, had his article "Sin in the Camp: The Day of Humble Supplication in the Church of England in Canada in the Early Months of the South African War" published in the *Journal of the Canadian Church Historical Society*. At the Canadian Historical Association meetings, he presented "A Clear and Present Danger: An Exploration of the Canadian English Protestant Churches' Support for the British Against the Boers in the South African War, 1899-1902." In a joint panel on Violence and Religion at Dalhousie University, he presented "Love for the Queen and Support for the War: An Exploration of Canadian English Protestant Attitudes to Queen Victoria, 1901."



Tyndale Seminary is sad to announce the death of Associate Professor **Beverley Hurlburt** on Thursday, June 19, 2003. Professor Hurlburt taught senior Counselling courses such as Couple Therapy, Developing an Effective Counselling Practice, Violence in Relationships, and Marriage, and Family Therapy II. Last year, she was diagnosed with esophageal cancer, but fought with courage and grace. Our deepest sympathies to her husband, Brian, and their sons, Kevin and Stephen. She will be sorely missed.

A tribute to Professor Hurlburt will appear in the next issue of *Connection*. Alumni and students are welcome to visit the "In Memoriam" web-page at [www.tyndale.ca](http://www.tyndale.ca) and sign the "Book of Memories."



**Dr. Rebecca Idestrom**, Associate Professor of Old Testament at the Seminary, attended two conferences in the fall. The first was an ATS sponsored conference for Newly Appointed Faculty at Seminaries held in Pittsburgh in September 2002. She also attended the Society of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting in November 2002. She was in Halifax from May 29-31 for the Canadian Society for Biblical Studies annual meetings, where she gave a paper entitled: "Elizabeth M. MacDonald: An Early Canadian Contribution to the Study of Women in the Ancient Near East."



**Dr. John Kessler**, Professor of Old Testament at the Seminary, gave a paper at the Canadian Society for Biblical Studies annual meeting on May 31. His topic was "Persia's Loyal Yahwists: Power, Identity, and Ethnicity in Achaemenid Yehud."



Congratulations to Director of Enrollment **Kevin Kirk**, who has been appointed Vice President of Marketing and Enrollment Management at Prairie Bible Institute in Three Hills, Alberta. Kevin has served at Tyndale for the past 11 years. We wish all the best to him and his family as they take this next step.



**Dr. Barbara Leung Lai**, Associate Professor of Old Testament at the Seminary, published a team-authored article entitled "Student Diversity and Theological Education" in *Theological Education* 38 (2, 2002): 3954. Dr. Leung Lai attended and chaired two Plenary Sessions at the Fifth Symposium on Church Ministry in China held at the Haggard School of Theology at the Azusa Pacific University from February 25-28. On August 1, 2003, Dr. Leung Lai will be going on a full year sabbatical. She will serve as Visiting Scholar at Fuller Theological Seminary in the fall and at Princeton Theological Seminary in the winter.



**Dr. Dennis Ngien**, Research Professor of Theology at the Seminary, was the speaker at the Bridle Trail Baptist Church Summer Camp from May 17-19 on the topic, "Leadership: Earning Respect, How?" Later this summer, Dr. Ngien will participate as a respondent for the International Conference on Ultimate Reality and Meaning (URAM), to be held in University of Toronto, August 13-16. He will return for the second time as one of the preachers for the Knox Summer Fellowship on Wednesday, August 20, organized by Knox Presbyterian Church.



**Dr. David Overholt**, Assistant Professor of Youth and Family Ministry at the Seminary, led two seminars on mentoring and millennial teens for Willow Creek in Chicago on March 11. He was the keynote speaker at the LITE conference in London on March 12. Also, from March 25-27, Dave spoke at Spring Folly in Sault St. Marie for local teenagers.



**Dr. Victor Shepherd**, Professor of Historical Theology and Chair of Wesley Studies at the Seminary, escorted a tour to England and Scotland, June 4-18. It honoured the 300th anniversary of the birth of John Wesley. Dr. Shepherd will be teaching for the seventh time at the Ottawa Summer School of Biblical Studies and Theology, from June 30-July 11. Dr. Shepherd's book, *Witnesses to the Word*, is being translated into Turkish.



**Dr. David Sherbino**, Sessional Associate Professor of Pastoral Ministries and Spiritual Formation at the Seminary, taught "Building the Church Through Small Groups" in January at the Ottawa campus. In April, he conducted a Prepare/Enrich seminar for clergy and counsellors. In May, he taught "Principles of Spiritual Direction" at Queen of the Apostles Retreat Centre and 'Pastoral Care' at McMaster Divinity College in Hamilton.



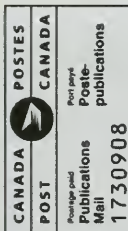
**Dr. Yau Man Siew**, Assistant Professor of Christian Education at the Seminary, spoke at Toronto Jaffray Chinese Alliance Church for their Christian Education Sunday on May 4. He also participated in the International Consortium of Theological Education Institutions: Sharing Learning Communities through the Ph.D. Degree, held in Zurich, Switzerland from May 25-28. Dr. Siew has been appointed Department Head of the Professional Ministries Department of Tyndale Seminary for the 2003-04 academic year.



**Dr. Brian C. Stiller**, President, was a keynote speaker at the Pan Africa Christian College Leadership Conference in Nairobi, Kenya, April 2-4, 2003. Attending the conference were national church leaders from across Africa. His messages on vision were drawn from the biblical accounts of Nehemiah, Ananias, Peter and Cornelius, Paul, and the Mount of Transfiguration. He also preached at Nairobi Baptist Church and Nairobi Pentecostal Church South on the Sundays preceding and following the conference.



**Dr. Daniel Wong**, Assistant Professor of Christian Ministries at the University College, successfully defended his essay comprehensive on "Preaching and Culture: The Approaches of Three Theologians (H. Richard Niebuhr, David Tracy, and George Lindbeck) to Culture as a Basis for Considering Lesslie Newbigin's Theology of Culture and Its Implications for Preaching." He will now focus on researching and writing his Th.D. thesis in homiletics at Knox College and the University of Toronto.



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